

Water Conservation and Recycling Roundtable

Goal and Scope

Priority: Encourage smarter supply and use of Bay-Delta water by intensifying and aligning Federal water conservation and recycling efforts with those of the State and affected communities and support water efficiency and conservation in agriculture. Specifically, the Administration has committed to align water conservation and recycling programs and focus efforts to help reduce demand in targeted regions.

This will be done by fostering better dialogue and coordinating the funding and technical assistance that the Federal Government provides through a variety of programs operated by the Bureau of Reclamation, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service, and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers also has water conservation work underway at a project level.

Federal agencies led by Reclamation, EPA, and USDA, will host a Water Conservation and Recycling Roundtable in April 2010 with State and local agencies (State Water Board, Department of Water Resources, and Department of Public Health) to explore tangible opportunities to align implementation and Federal-State funding priorities for water conservation and recycling efforts.

Roundtable Goals: The stakeholder participants will discuss their experiences in dealing with these challenges. This dialogue will allow the Federal and State Government participants to better understand the types of challenges facing water users and how they have been working to address them.